



PROCLAMATION
OLYMPIC DAY
June 23, 2009

WHEREAS, for over 100 years, the Olympic movement has built a more peaceful and better world by educating young people through amateur athletics, by bringing together athletes from many countries in friendly competition, and by forging new relationships bound by friendship, solidarity, and fair play; and

WHEREAS, the United States Olympic Committee is dedicated to coordinating and developing amateur athletic activity in the United States to foster productive working relationships among sports-related organizations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara promotes and supports amateur athletic activities involving Olympic and Paralympic sports; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara promotes and encourages physical fitness and public participation in amateur athletic activities for able-bodied and disabled athletes regardless of age, race, or gender; and

WHEREAS, participants in the Parks and Recreation Summer Drop-In program will celebrate with a march of athletes, and ceremony attended by Olympic athletes; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of cities across the country are joining together to show their Support for bringing the Olympic Games to the United States in 2016 in Chicago, Illinois; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTY BLUM, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby proclaim with much appreciation and admiration, June 23, 2009, as **Olympic Day** in the City of Santa Barbara and urge all citizens to observe such anniversary with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, to be affixed this 23rd day of June, 2009.

MARTY BLUM, MAYOR

